

When I first tried to get DSL from SBC I was treated in the rudest and most inconsiderate way by SBC. Because there are other providers of DSL using their lines, I have DSL today. Bell companies operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning will stimulate competition and be of benefit to the consumers. To not do so would cripple the '96 Telecom Act. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.